REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks. Prior to entry of this response, Claims 1-17 were pending in the application, of which Claims 1, 8, and 14 are independent. In the Office Action dated February 9, 2005, Claims 1-17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) and Claims 10-13 were objected to. Following this response, Claims 1-17 remain in this application. Applicants hereby address the Examiner's rejections in turn.

I.   Objection to the Claims

In the Office Action dated February 9, 2005, the Examiner objected to Claims 10-13 as containing various informalities. Claims 10-12 have been amended to address these informalities and do not narrow the claimed subject matter. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments overcome this objection and add no new matter.

II.   Rejection of the Claims Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claim 1-17 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,999,948 ("*Nelson*"). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Claim 1 is patentably distinguishable over the cited art for at least the reason that it recites, for example, "in response to determining that a previously compiled class file should not be utilized to respond to the request, creating an

executable class file capable of generating markup language for displaying the fields of the form in a web browser." Independent Claims 8 and 14 each include a similar recitation.

In contrast, *Nelson* at least does not disclose the aforementioned recitation. For example, *Nelson* discloses creating and saving FDL files 13. The created files are then registered with a form engine 19. Upon registration, the FDL files 13 are parsed and data objects resulting from the parsing are added to a catalogue. (*See* col. 5, lines 1-9.) When a request to display a form is made, a dynamic forms engine constructs the form using information in the catalogue. (*See* col. 5, lines 53-56.) In *Nelson*, an executable class file capable of generating markup language for displaying fields is not created in response to determining that a previously compiled class file should not be utilized. Rather in *Nelson*, a FDL file 13 (what the Examiner analogizes to the claimed class file) is created and cataloged well before a request to display a page is made. In other words, the FDL file 13 in not created in response to determining that a previously complied class file should be used.

In sum, *Nelson* does not anticipate the claimed invention because *Nelson* at least does not disclose "in response to determining that a previously compiled class file should not be utilized to respond to the request, creating an executable class file capable of generating markup language for displaying the fields of the form in a web browser", as recited by Claim 1. Independent Claims 8 and 14 each include a similar recitation. Accordingly, independent Claims 1, 8, and 14

each patentably distinguish the present invention over the cited art, and Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this rejection of Claims 1, 8, and 14.

Dependent Claims 2-7, 9-13, and 15-17 are also allowable at least for the reasons described above regarding independent Claims 1, 8, and 14, and by virtue of their respective dependencies upon independent Claims 1, 8, and 14. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this rejection of dependent Claims 2-7, 9-13, and 15-17.

III.   Conclusion

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants respectfully request the reconsideration and reexamination of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims. The preceding arguments are based only on the arguments in the Office Action, and therefore do not address patentable aspects of the invention that were not addressed by the Examiner in the Office Action. The claims may include other elements that are not shown, taught, or suggested by the cited art. Accordingly, the preceding argument in favor of patentability is advanced without prejudice to other bases of patentability. Furthermore, the Office Action contains a number of statements reflecting characterizations of the related art and the claims. Regardless of whether any such statement is identified herein, Applicant declines to automatically subscribe to any statement or characterization in the Office Action.

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Respectfully submitted,

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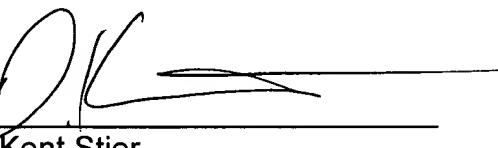
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